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## Disabled students allege misuse of ADA funds

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An administrative decision to use \$100,000 of minor capital outlay money allocated by the California State University chancellor's office for barrier removal projects on a health and safety

project in the chemistry service center in the science building has angered and brought allegations of misuse of funds from disabled students at CSUS.

According to Joel Duce, president of the Disabled Student Union, \$134,000 of the \$280,000 allocated by the chancellor's office to make progress toward compli-

ance with the American Disabilities Act was earmarked to be used to install an elevator at the north end of the CSUS Library to allow greater access to students who are confined to wheelchairs. Instead, Duce said, when the project came in significantly over budget, Facilities Management requested more money to augment the project. When this request was denied, Facilities Management asked for and received permission to use \$100,000 of this money to improve the exhausting and ventilation of the chemistry service center, a project that Duce said is completely unrelated to disabled student issues.

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## Warning continues for UNAbomber

By ROXANNE R. STITES  
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Norm Scarr, Director of Public Safety, issued an advisory last December for CSUS employees to watch for suspicious or unusual mail or packages, both at work and at their residences, due to the most recent UNAbomber incident last Dec. 10.

"We encourage them [CSUS personnel] to notify us if they notice anything suspicious," said Public Safety Investigator John Hammick.

Over the last 17 years, a notorious serial bomber, known as the UNAbomber, has sent or planted 15 bombs to various people, targeting university professors, airline personnel and computer experts most frequently.

The bombs have killed two people and injured 23.

The first death occurred in December 1985, killing the owner of a Sacramento computer rental store.

An advertising executive from New Jersey was killed on Dec. 10, 1994 when he opened a parcel containing a bomb.

Twelve bombs were intermittently sent between 1978 and 1987. The UNAbomber sent no bombs between 1987 and 1993, but in June 1993, two more bombs were sent, both credited to the UNAbomber.

The two bombs sent in 1993 were addressed to university professors. The first was sent to Dr. Charles Epstein, a geneticist at the University of California, San Francisco. The second was sent to David Gelernter, a computer scientist at Yale University.

In both June instances, CSUS professors were listed in the return address.

According to Rick Smith, FBI media representative for the investigation,

**"One of the problems is there is no apparent mailing or planting pattern to the bombs."**

—Rick Smith

Supervisor, faculty and staff should look for anything out of the ordinary.

Peculiarities to be aware of include: only stains on wrapping, inaccuracies in the addressee's name or title, no return address, strange odor, excessive postage, misspelled words, foreign country markings or restrictive markings such as "personal" or "special delivery."

The United States Postal Inspection Service also recommends to use caution if the package is lopsided, bulky or has protruding wires. Since last June, Hammick estimates there have been five suspicious parcels that were reported from CSUS personnel to campus police.

None of them, however, were bombs.

## Second phase of Union expansion set for December

By JULIETTE ROSE  
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Construction will begin December 1995 on the second phase of the university union expansion, a project that was initiated due to inadequate space and increasing student population at CSUS.

This project follows the 1994 spring Phase I construction of an atrium at the entrance of the Jed Smith Drive approach to the University Union.

According to University Union Director Donald Hinde, as of the spring of 1991 only 62 percent of students' requests for event or activity space were being met with the current facilities. Hinde said, "Our existing union houses 2.5 square feet per student in comparison with the national average of 8 square feet per student."

If construction were completed today, the union would be approximately 160,000 square feet, which

would equal an estimated 70,000 square feet of additional space. With 22,000 students this spring on campus, the space estimate per student would then increase to 7 square feet," said Hinde.

To raise funds for the expansion of the union, a 1991 student body election passed a referendum to increase student fees in an effort to contribute to construction costs.

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## Few people attend ASI forum

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Only two students voiced concerns Thursday at an Associated Students Inc. student forum on student services held at Crumbs in the Food Services Building Thursday.

Several members of the Student Services Administration were on hand, as well as four other students, to hear the two concerned students.

The first student who spoke, Brad Williams, a junior at CSUS, told the members of ASI on hand that he was concerned with the Veteran Affairs

Office at CSUS.

Williams said that while the office used to have a full-time employee behind the desk eight hours a day, budget cuts have forced them to staff the office only from the hours of 10 a.m. until 4 p.m., making it difficult for Williams to get his questions answered.

Williams told the ASI members that he had attended Sierra College, where the Veteran Affairs Office was much more accessible.

Ron Tanton, the second student to speak, said that he was upset because only one computer on campus exists to help students prepare resumes. Accord-

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Facilities Management receives some assistance Monday from a busload of young men doing community service work through the Sacramento County Probation Department. They worked on the north side of campus.

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## News

# Union: Project will be complete by Spring 1997

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CSUS student population and gear up for the next 10 to 15 years at Sacramento State, expansion on the union includes a large multipurpose room with space for up to 1,600 seats, a small theater and new office accommodations.

"The expansion of the student union will immensely benefit students on campus. The expansion will make room for mail services, a hair salon and additional food services," said Noreen Humes, executive vice president of ASI. Hinde also added that retail outlets, meeting rooms, work-space offices, a food court and extended lounge space would also be a result of the expansion project.

"The interior space will accommodate many functions. For example, lecturers are now required to speak outdoors, which is a problem on account of winter weather conditions. However, with the use of the proposed multipurpose room, large gatherings will now meet indoors. The room will accommodate anything from presentations to award ceremonies," said Hinde.

In an effort to not disrupt normal union traffic flow or current union operations, expansion construction will be built in stages to permit on going access to students. "The east side entrance will remain open for

students to come through. Interruptions should not occur with union traffic flow," said Humes. Hinde also added that access would be maintained with "minimal interruptions."

However, Humes voiced concern that students would steer away from food services due to excessive noise and ongoing construction. Humes said, "Construction might cause students to stay away, but I'm sure that food services will try to pull them back in."

Following design plans approved by the union board, consisting of Hinde, students, administration, faculty and alumni, the architectural firm of Stafford-King-Wiese will commence construction of Phase II this December.

During expansion, construction of the university union will also undergo seismic retrofitting, bringing the 1973 building up to today's earthquake standards.

Hinde said, "The union building is one of a large number of structures on campus that need work. After the building was surveyed it was found to need additional structure support to bring it up to current standards. Although these are two different projects, we thought it would be best to combine the remodeling of the university union with the retrofitting project. This combined effort will benefit students by cutting down on construction time, noise and interruptions."

## ADA: Students have had accessibility problems with Library ramp since 1975

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sity is in compliance with this legislation. Duce said that there is still much work to be done before the university will be in compliance.

CSUS Affirmative Action Officer Stephanie Lieberman said that CSUS is not in violation of ADA because the university is making progress toward total compliance, which the law requires.

"We are in compliance, and making progress toward total compliance," Lieberman said. "We are in the process of making the campus totally physically accessible."

Minor capital outlay is money allocated by the chancellor's office for minor campus improvements. Under the rules for minor capital outlay, Facilities Management received the funds in January 1994 and must have encumbered the money or returned it to the chancellor's office by June 30.

According to Vice President of Facilities Management Howard Harris, by the time bids were received after an architect had designed the elevator, there was not enough time to redesign and re-bid the elevator in an effort to make it affordable with the \$134,000 remaining.

According to Harris, the bids received by facilities management indicated that the project would cost about twice as much as originally thought.

"Sometimes projects come in over budget," Harris said. "It's hard to predict the bidding climate."

Harris said that he hopes to bid the project again in the next fiscal year. Right now, Facilities Management believes that the cost can be reduced and that the project should be completed under budget.

The chancellor's office would not augment the project," Vice President of Administration Mervyn Harrison said. "We had to use that money or we would have lost it altogether."

In addition to being head of the disabled student union, Duce also serves on the University Committee for Persons with Disabilities.

According to Duce, the committee came up with a prioritized list of barrier removal projects to spend the money on and submitted it to facilities management.

Because the ramp leading to the library is too steep to allow many disabled students to use the library, the library elevator was the committee's number one priority.

According to Duce, the members of the committee believed that in the event that it could not be completed under budget, facilities management would apply the remaining funds to lower priority projects.

"We were under the impression that if a project couldn't get funded because of something like this that that money would roll downhill to the next project, and then that project would automatically move to the number one position for the next year," he said.

"I personally don't know if it (the redirecting of the money) is illegal," Duce said. "I think it may be one of those areas that, to the letter of the law, it's not. I think

to the spirit of what was intended, I would say it probably is very close to it."

According to Ron Richardson, manager of facilities planning, the money could not be put towards any other barrier removal projects because no barrier removal projects had been approved by the chancellor's office. Richardson added that not receiving the money until January made it difficult to hire the architect, design the elevator and receive bids on the project in time to change plans.

"If we had the money in September, we could have redesigned and re-bid the project," Richardson said. "You can't hire an outside consultant unless the money is on campus."

Richardson said that Facilities Management considers the library elevator project to be the number one priority for minor capital outlay money allocated to ADA projects for the next fiscal year, depending on how much money is allocated by the chancellor's office for barrier removal. Richardson indicated that CSUS usually receives between \$200,000 and \$500,000 per year. Because a bond issue was defeated this year, as far as Richardson knows, no money is available for barrier removal projects for 1995-96.

According to Chancellor's Office Director of public affairs Steve McCarthy, the redirection of money from one project to another on campus is not unusual. "It's not uncommon for a project to get hung up and the money used elsewhere," McCarthy said.

According to McCarthy, the 20-campus CSU system currently has \$400 million in deferred campus maintenance, including leaking roofs, pipes and earthquake specification requirements that need to be done. "Right now we have a lot of problems on a lot of campuses," he said. "And the list is growing."

According to McCarthy, it is up to the campus physical plant manager to decide how minor capital outlay money would best be spent. "They are the ones who know what their campus needs," he said. "We're way down here in Long Beach."

Often, McCarthy said, if the funds are not available to complete a project, the funds will be redirected to another project.

"In a perfect world, we'd have enough money to do all projects, and in a timely fashion," McCarthy said. "Unfortunately, it's not a perfect world. These things happen. It's not anything anyone plans."

According to former Disabled Student Union President Pat Clark, this incident is just another setback for disabled students.

"This is basically a repeat of similar occurrences," Clark said. "Disabled student issues seem to be at the bottom of the barrel, always have been."

According to Duce, disabled students have been complaining about the library ramp since the library opened in 1975.

"It's just another symptom of the attitudes on this campus," Duce said. "The disabled students are on the lower end of the priority chain."

On Nov. 9, 1994, Duce wrote a letter to CSUS President Donald Gerth ex-



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**The ramp to the library has made access difficult for many disabled students.**

pressing his anger and requesting a meeting to discuss the situation. In the letter, Duce said, "The Disabled Student Union feel that the loss of the Library elevator project is inexcusable and unacceptable. DSU also feels this is a blatant disregard for the importance of accomplishing access for persons with disabilities."

On Nov. 23, 1994, Harrison responded to Duce's letter. Harrison's letter gave an explanation of the events that led to the redirection of the \$134,000. The letter defended Facilities Management's role in the situation and said, "there is no evidence of neglect."

The letter went on to say that Facilities Management is trying to secure funding for the elevator in the future.

"I asked if I could meet with President Gerth," Duce said. "That was never responded to. I would like to see a face-to-face meeting over this."

"I think at this point it would be highly appropriate for the administration to even go to the Hornet (CSUS) Foundation and say, 'Hey, we need to do some fundraising for this project.'"

Duce has now taken the matter to CSUS Associated Students Inc. On Feb. 9, Duce met with ASI President Stephen Henderson and ASI Executive Vice President Noreen Humes.

After meeting with Duce, Henderson and Humes drafted and sent a letter to Isabel Hernandez-Serna, assistant vice president of academic affairs, requesting

a meeting to address the issue. ASI is awaiting Hernandez-Serna's response.

"We (ASI) were shocked to find out that \$100,000 that was supposed to be used for a specific purpose was diverted and used for something else," Henderson said. "It's disturbing to me that it seemed to happen in such a quick, cavalier fashion."

According to Theresa Jordan, disabled student services director at Humboldt State, Humboldt was able to use all of the \$465,000 allocated for the campus by the chancellor's office for barrier removal projects. Jordan added that because ADA money must be encumbered by June 30 and the campuses did not receive the money until January, time was a factor.

"It was a real rush experience for us," Jordan said.

Ed Daniels, director of disabled student services at Chico State, said that no incidents similar to the redirection of the money at CSUS have happened at Chico. Last year, Chico State received \$258,000 in minor capital outlay for ADA projects. "So far as I know it was all used," Daniels said.

According to Jordan, the chancellor's office allocates ADA money to campuses is based proportionally on the amount needed to bring the school up to code with ADA as determined by a recent survey conducted by a company called Building Analytics.

## Students: Next ASI student forum to be held in residence halls on Monday

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ASI President Stephen Henderson, presumably to ask about the space.

After both students had spoken, ASI President Stephen Henderson thanked the administrators from student services who attended the forum and praised the job they have done in the

face of what he called, "brutal, devastating budget cuts."

ASI Executive Vice President Noreen Humes told the students that their concerns would be looked into by a student forum response team that would examine the questions raised at the forum.

Humes thanked the students who

spoke at the forum and expressed some regret for the small turnout. She blamed the low turnout on ASI experiments with marketing to make students aware of these forums.

Humes also told the audience that she was glad that some students did get a chance to share their concerns with ASI.

"Even though there were only two

students here to speak today, there were still two students here to speak," Humes said.

ASI's next student forum, dealing with residence hall life, will be held Monday at 5 p.m. in the residence hall dining commons. Access to this forum will be limited to students living in the residence halls.

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# POLITICS ASIDE

## New study reveals higher education in trouble

By ADAM BUTERA  
HORNET POLITICAL EDITOR

Recently, a new wave of critical evidence has swept into California politics which shows public university students in jeopardy of drastically reduced funding, an ever-larger freshman class and eventual fee hikes.

A study by Harvard economist David W. Breneman offers evidence to prove that public universities are economically in a downward slump and will be obligated to ration their services for some time to come. According to Breneman, whose study was commissioned by the California Higher Education Policy Center, the state government has cut appropriations for CSU campuses by 21.3 percent and UC campuses by 25.5 percent from 1989 through 1994. To compensate for reduced state spending, tuition fees have increased 89.5 percent for CSU schools and, as expected, CSU enrollment has declined by 9.2 percent for full-time students since 1989. Understandably, during this time period, prospective college students have opted for cheaper community colleges, evident with their 4 percent increase in enrollment. More discouraging news is evident with student loans. While students' fees have increased by 89.5 percent, Cal Grant loans have failed to increase by half of that; instead, total Cal Grant Funding has only increased by 37.3 percent from 141.9 million to \$194.8 million, perhaps contributing to an enrollment drop.

### Police action protested

INDIANA, Pa. (AP) — Hundreds of students filed two-by-two through a mall Saturday to protest the recent arrest of a black student.

From 400 to 500 students from Indiana University of Pennsylvania walked quietly through the Indiana Mall, stopping to talk to store managers. Half were white, half were black.

"This is a student issue, not just a minority issue, and it is good to see whites and blacks working together," said Sean McCaskill, a graduate student in sociology.

The students gathered to protest the Feb. 4 arrest of Aaron Johnson, 21, a sophomore from Pittsburgh.

**"This is a student issue, not just a minority issue..."**

—Sean McCaskill

Johnson was waiting for a bus inside a driver's license center at the mall when an employee asked him to leave, according to William Powell, a graduate student who helped organize the protest.

Johnson refused, so security guards came and yelled at him, Powell said. Johnson got on a bus, but it was detained and state police arrested him, he said. He was charged with disorderly conduct and was ordered to appear at a hearing Feb. 28.

At the protest, the students demanded that mall management apologize to Johnson, fire the security guards involved in the incident and hire more minority employees and counsel mall employees in race relations.

The students also asked for a better outdoor bus shelter and more indoor seating for mall customers. John Pomputius, the mall manager, said he will meet with students to discuss the demands at 9 p.m. Monday.

"The students' march was a success and well accepted by the tenants," Pomputius said. "It was peaceful and orderly, and I am glad there were no problems."

"We have delivered our demands, and now we will see what happens," McCaskill said.

With 14,000 students at three campuses, Indiana University of Pennsylvania is the largest state-run university in Pennsylvania.

According to Director of Admissions, Larry Glasmire, fall enrollment in 1989 totaled 29,559; however, by fall of 1994 that figure had dropped to 22,735 students.

Clearly, the 1990's have marked the beginning of a college rationing trend that has affected millions of California universities and community colleges, due in part to a stagnant economy. Breneman's projections indicate that, in time, California will face a dramatic increase in the college-age population. In the next decade, approximately 450,000 students will be added on to the existing college enrollment by the year 2006. This means the Golden State's education budget will have to "grow at a compound rate of seven percent per year between 1991 and 2006 in order to finance the anticipated enrollment growth, assuming 1991's pattern for educational support."

Glasmire says, however, that "next year's enrollment should increase slightly. No more than 300 to 400 students are planned to be added on to the current enrollment."

According to Breneman, in the following decade, California will not be ready to absorb the impact of an additional 450,000 students; the demand on public higher education resources will be too great. He said California needs measures "that would expand undergraduate access to higher education."

According to the report from the California Higher Education Policy Center, expanded undergraduate access would be attained through cuts in gradu-

ate programs in both the CSU and UC system, enrollment priority to students between the ages of 17 and 24 in the three public education systems, exclusion of out-of-state undergraduates, and refocusing the state's financial aid grants to students who choose to attend private colleges and universities.

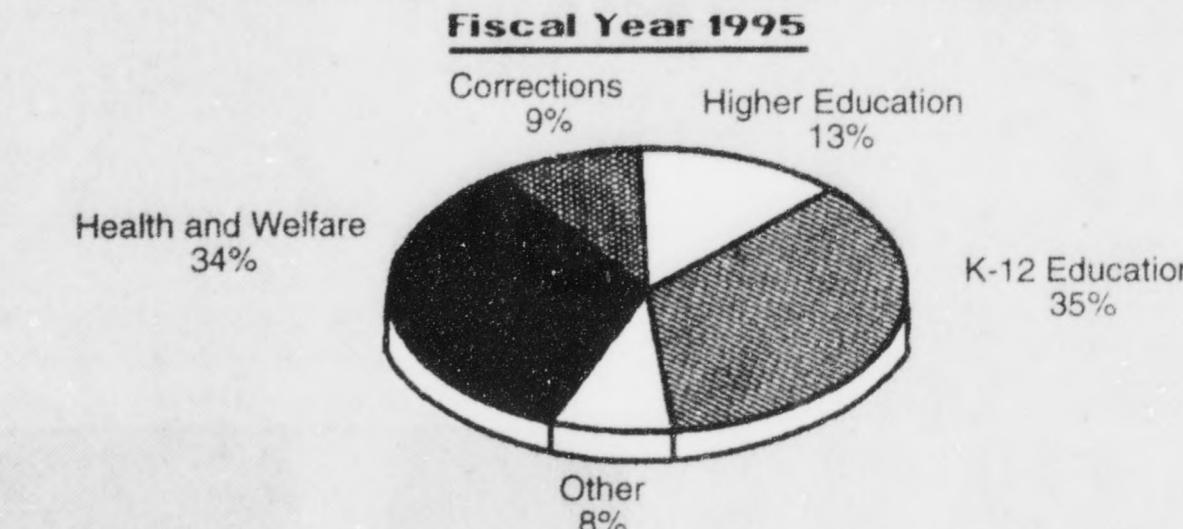
According to Vincent Schiraldi, executive director of the Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice, "If Governor Wilson's budget is enacted as is, California's budget will spend more money on prisons than on universities for the first time in the state's history."

Breneman also said that the California leadership has made decisions that are "consistent with short-run decision making under financial duress, not guided by an overarching policy. While 'muddling through' might suffice for a few years with limited damage to student access and institutional quality, it is a recipe for disaster if continued."

Finally, he said, "California has a 35-year commitment to access to higher education, and this value is so deeply ingrained within the state that open discussion of it seems impossible, particularly if that discussion were to suggest that the commitment could no longer be met."

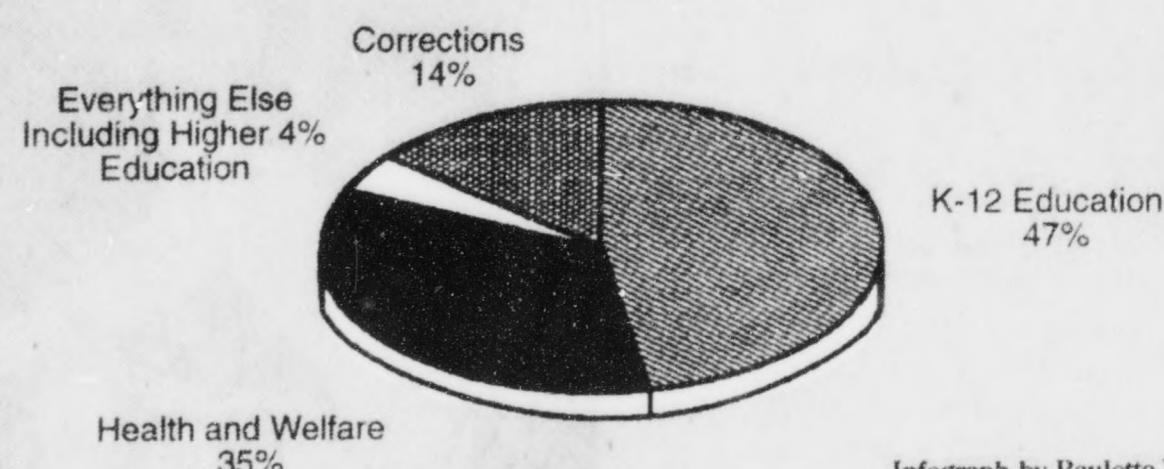
Governor Wilson is committed to a fund that would provide consistent revenue to all three public education institutions, and Sacramento State plans on achieving a 1 percent growth rate per year in the future.

**FIGURE ONE**  
**Distribution of California General Fund Appropriations**  
**Fiscal Year 1995**



Source: Rand Research Review  
Higher education in 1995 will take up 13 percent of the state's general fund. K-12 education consists of 35 percent and corrections maintain 9 percent.

**FIGURE TWO**  
**Prediction for Fiscal Year 2002 Budget Distribution**



Infograph by Paulette Vogler

Source: Rand Research Review  
The proportion of budgetary priorities has changed considerably. By 2002, higher education (along with miscellaneous items) consists of 4 percent of the budget, with K-12 education at 47 percent and corrections at 14 percent.

### Students receive internet instruction

VALPARAISO, Ind. (AP) — In professor Douglas Kocher's classroom, there's no blackboard, no clock, there isn't even a room.

Students in "Communication 110: Introduction to Internet," at Valparaiso University talk to Kocher by pounding messages out on a computer keyboard. They complete assignments on the computer and will take their final exam on it, too.

Kocher, who is chairman of the Communications Department, designed the course for computer illiterates who want to surf their way through cyberspace.

"We take them from ground zero on the computer and get them comfortable with the basic tools of Internet," said Kocher. "Then we introduce them to its search capabilities and from there, they can develop their own interests."

The possibilities for interactive chat on the Internet are boundless.

"Before this class, I had an E-mail address but never used it," said Jean Redinger, a senior public relations major from Argos.

Now she checks her E-mail at least three times a week because that's how Kocher delivers his assignments.

"He presents the material in a very conversational, friendly way," she said.

In a recent assignment, Kocher asked

students to cite passages from 10 different sources on the deforestation of the Amazon.

"I want them to use it as if it were a library," Kocher said. "It's a strange sensation now, my lecturing on-line."

Kocher warns it's not a cushy course.

"Students always are required to read, understand, analyze, and synthesize material from the Internet. Texts and critical thinking are central to this form of instruction."

Kocher's 20 Internet students meet in the classroom only for their tests.

"This places a lot of responsibility on the student," Kocher said. "They need to check their E-mail regularly."

Redinger, a commuter student, checks her messages from home, and Hostrawser uses a computer in a dormitory or in the Academic Computer Communication Center where the class meets.

"You know the teacher will get your message and read it," Hostrawser said.

### School wants federal funds

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — The presidents of North Dakota's two largest universities say they will work hard to convince legislators of the need for more money in their budgets.

"We think we have a strong case to make and we intend to articulate that case strongly," said University of North Dakota President Kendall Baker.

The appropriations bill passed by the House last week authorizes \$266.7 million in state spending for the state's 11 universities, a \$15.7 million increase over present spending.

House budget writers, however, cut 28 jobs from University of North Dakota's and North Dakota State's spending plans that had not been filled for at least six months. The legislation also shifts money from some of those positions into university construction and repair.

House Majority Leader John Dorso, R-Fargo, during debate on the higher education spending bill, denounced university budgets as "armless" and said administrators would try to skirt its restrictions.

"Now, if you think for one minute that what we pass as an appropriation bill (for North Dakota's colleges) is the way that they'll spend that money in

### Quote of the Week

*"In order to enjoy the inestimable benefits that the liberty of the press ensures, it is necessary to submit to the inevitable evils that it creates."*

—Alexis de Tocqueville

the next biennium, get a clue," he said.

The bill prohibits the transfer of funds from capital improvement budgets into other areas. Dorso said that was in response to past spending practices in the university system.

"I am tired of higher education telling us that we don't fund fixing leaky roofs, and we won't fund fixing doors, and the buildings are falling down," Dorso said. "We put money in the budgets to do it, and then they move it out anyway."

However, Baker and North Da-

kota State University President Jim Ozbun said that prohibition would hurt their ability to manage their resources.

"We're told to work hard and help ourselves reallocate resources. But we're also being given less flexibility to succeed," Baker said.

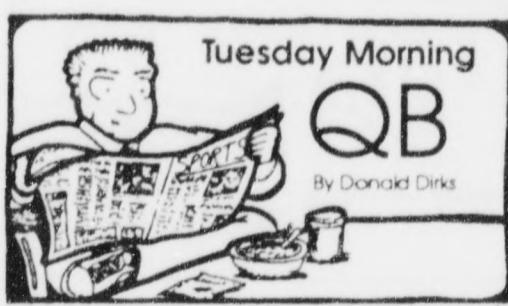
Larry Isaak, chancellor of the North Dakota University System, said language in two spending bills lawmakers approved two years ago encouraged transfers of funds to where they would be better used.



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# S P O R T S



## Spring fever hits campus

Walking around Sacramento State on a warm springtime afternoon can be a thought-provoking experience. The campus isn't abuzz with the early morning hustle and bustle of quizzes and deadlines.

It magically turns into a park, where students can engage in stress-relieving activities. People bring their dogs out for their weekly play time, friends race around campus on rollerblades as if it was a giant obstacle course, and even local celebrities such as Tom Loftman can be seen jogging around the campus as if it was a training ground for a marathon. Of all these sights and sounds, nothing can match the occasional roar that echoes through the campus on occasional afternoons from the baseball field and softball field.

This past Sunday, those same sounds came from Shea Stadium, the softball diamond next to the tennis courts.

One minute, the sound of an aluminum bat cracking a ball screeches through the campus, then a delayed roar engulfs the university like the described rolling-effect of an earthquake. The sounds were so hypnotizing, I felt compelled to witness this ritual being played. I walked slowly to the field that had entranced me.

Each step I took, I began to visualize the game being played and challenged myself to guess which team had just made the crowd cheer. A grave silence broke me out of my trance as I walked closer to the destination.

Once again quizzing myself, I guessed that the game was between innings. Sure enough it was, as the crack of the bat and ball once again screamed through the campus, bringing the dashing squirrels to a sudden stop to look up as if a fly ball was going to land on their head if they hadn't.

Soon, I was completely submerged in sunshine, away from the dark trees on campus and close to my destination of the distant roars that had guided me to the field.

Arriving at the ballpark, my focus was immediately tunneled into the duel between the pitcher and individual batters. Each pitch, the crowd seemed to lean in unison as if to make the call themselves. The game lived up to the tradition that baseball has been built upon.

There were late-inning heroics, pitching duels, and a chess match between both coaches. All in all, the game epitomized the attraction to baseball for the avid fan.

The sun and the slight breeze worked together in unison to give the fans a perfectly mild setting for the game. A booster banner is half-strung against the back of the temporary aluminum bleachers, one corner flapping in the breeze. Parents cheer on their daughters, encouraging them do good and blaming the umpires when they don't.

It's these kinds of scenes that brings us back to earth as fans.

Baseball isn't about multi-million dollar players signing big contracts. It's not about bar bets on who was a better player between Mantle and Mays. It's not about who's going to cross the picket line and who's not.

It's about the Shea Stadium's around the country. It's about being eye level with the players on field.

It's about the volunteer mom selling hot dogs at the concession stand and slipping her five-year-old son a free hot dog and soda. This is what it's all about.

Let's get back to the roots of the game.

Forget how the *major league* game was back in the forties compared to today. That's not what it's about.

Just walk down to the local little league field, the local high school, or the college field and check out a game. That's what it's about.

There's no room to complain about the shape that baseball is in.

Baseball is fine, you just have to look at a different place than on the television. So next time you hear the instant crack of a line-drive echoing through the campus, remind yourself that baseball is just fine, all you have to do is skip a class and go check it out yourself.

*Don's column appears every other Tuesday. Write him in cyberspace at sac72884@saclink.csus.edu or at 6000 J St., Bldg. T-GG, Sacramento Ca. 95819-6102.*

## Baseball team sends Washington State packing

By JUD LYMAN  
HORNET STAFF WRITER

A foundation, something strong to build an entire season on, is what the Hornet baseball team was hoping to build, and with a two-game sweep over Washington State this past weekend, a foundation is what they built.

The Hornets (5-6) were able to put together their best overall performance of the season in a 6-0 victory on Saturday, anchored by pitcher Mike Eby.

Eby (2-0) pitched a complete-game shutout, the second of his career, allowing only three Cougar hits, and striking out 12.

The 12 strikeouts tie a Hornet Division I school record for number of strikeouts in a game set back in 1992 by Roland DeLaMaza.

"This was the best that I've thrown on the mound in my three-year career here," Eby said. "All of my pitches were hitting the mark."

On Friday, the Hornets were able to come from behind twice before scoring the winning run in the bottom of the eighth inning on a single over second base by catcher Jason Kirtlan.

"This is definitely the best we have played all year," third baseman Derek Brown said. "We finally played up to our potential, now all we have to do is stay consistent and

we'll start winning more ballgames."

Pitching wasn't the only part of the team that showed improvement over the weekend for the Hornets.

Offensively, they combined for 23 hits in the series, but more importantly did a better job with runners in scoring position, going 4 for 10 on Friday and 4 for 13 on Saturday.

shortstop Mike Carpenter said.

Although the Hornets were dominating in Saturday's game, they were helped by the scheduling of Washington State.

The Cougars played the Hornets on Friday afternoon, traveled to the University of Pacific Tigers Friday evening, then back to Sacramento to play the Hornets again Saturday afternoon before heading back to Stockton to play the Tigers on Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon. Logging five games in just over 48 hours.

"We were definitely fatigued coming into Saturday's game," Cougar head coach Steve Farrington said. "After playing two close games the day before, our legs were a bit tired."

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## Hornets win final home game 75-57

Boudreux picks up third double-double of season

By VICTOR BALTA  
HORNET STAFF WRITER

The Sacramento State women's basketball team got its revenge on Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo Friday night with a 75-57 victory in front of a crowd of 270.

After a brief pre-game tribute to seniors Caree Anderson and Stacy Schott, the Hornets (5-20, 2-3) came onto the floor hungry for a win.

"We wanted to win this one for the seniors," forward Evelyn White said. "We were just more relaxed tonight. Before, we would be a little tense when we went out there."

The Hornets were also hoping to avenge an earlier 74-70 loss to the Mustangs, in a game that saw the Hornets squander a 10 point halftime lead.

CSUS began the game with excellent defense, holding the Mustangs to just two points in the first six minutes of play.

The Mustangs (6-15, 3-2) took their final lead of the game at 5:51 of the first half.

The Hornets responded with an offensive and defensive surge, scoring 16 points, and holding Cal Poly to just five for the rest of the first half.

The Hornets, who have lost four games this season after holding a half-time lead, had a 36-27 advantage at the

half.

CSUS allowed five second-half points before scoring, but were sparked by a quick three-pointer from forward Sarah Stapp. Stapp was again the leading scorer for the Hornets, with 20 points.

She is averaging 19.8 points in the last five games.

The Mustangs were called for 22 personal fouls, resulting in 30 free-throw attempts for the Hornets.

CSUS shot 76 percent from the line, snapping their two-game skid, during which they shot only 55 percent.

The Hornets were outrebounded for the 23rd time this season, but seemed to grab the ones that counted.

Sacramento State finished the game with 18 second-chance points.

Center Shelby Boudreux provided most of the rebounding for the Hornets while notching her third double-double of the season.

She finished with 18 points and 10 rebounds. The scoring helped the Hornets, but it was the rebounds Boudreux concentrated on.

"I just wanted to get some rebounds. It was something I felt I've been lacking all season," said Boudreux, who was

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Shelby Boudreux (#32) scored 18 points and grabbed 10 rebounds in Friday night's victory.

## Gymnastics finish second at San Jose

By BEN STEWART  
HORNET STAFF WRITER

The Hornets were prepared for the worst when they traveled to San Jose State's Spartan Gym Friday, but they accomplished exactly what they wanted to do when they left.

They beat San Jose State.

In a meet against both the Spartans and 15th-ranked CSU Fullerton, the Hornets managed a split as they defeated San Jose State by a half of point, but fell to the high powered Titans 188.2-184.375 at Spartan Gym.

"We achieved our main goal by beating San Jose State," said Hornet coach Kim Hughes following the meet. "It would have been nice to beat Fullerton, but we did not expect to beat them."

After losing their second match earlier in the season to San Jose State, Sacramento State took the rematch and kept their record even with a 5-5 mark.

Fullerton topped the field by scoring 188.2 points with the Hornets finishing second by just under four points. Sacramento State's score of 184.375 was its

## Hornet Sports Check it!

Wed: Baseball vs. Reno  
2 p.m.  
Men's basketball vs.  
Cal State Northridge  
7:30 p.m.  
Softball @ Santa Clara  
Thu: Men's tennis @ Saint  
Mary's 2 p.m.  
Fri: Gymnastics @ UCD  
7 p.m.  
Home games in BOLD

steps before that pitch. I'm glad I did," said Hornet head coach Kathy Strahan of the catch.

Then in the fourth, after a leadoff double, Bugliarello battled back and struck out the next four batters she faced.

In the sixth inning, after allowing an unearned run to tie the score at one, Bugliarello induced an inning ending double play, again with the bases loaded.

That set the stage for the Hornets' game winning rally.

Lynn Lohmeier reached first base on an error to start the inning, but was forced at second base by Garay's infield hit.

Tara Peterson reached on a fielder's choice, and Irene Montes followed with her third hit of the game to load the bases for catcher Jenny Schultz who promptly banged a base hit into leftfield to score Garay and end the game.

The Hornets wasted no time in the second game, jumping all over Tiger freshman Leslie Rodgers (0-1) for four runs in the first inning.

That gave Tami Blunt enough breathing room to

"They came out and challenged us, but we didn't meet the challenge."

—UOP head coach Brian Kolze

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## Sports

### Gym: Team avenges loss to San Jose St.

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the vault.

According to Coach Hughes, the judges were not giving out high scores to anyone.

"They were a little tighter with the scoring than usual, but we were not as sharp with our routines either," Hughes said.

The conditions of the meet didn't exactly favor high scores for any team.

With a men's gymnastics meet

performing simultaneously, the floor was crowded with five different teams and the Hornet gymnasts, like other teams, were forced to sit 30 minutes between two events.

"It makes it a bit tougher when you have a bye between an event," vault specialist Rebecca Seebert said. "Instead of moving onto the next event, you wait and sometimes get you're rhythm or concentration is disrupted."

Regardless, Sacramento State

accomplished its main goal by winning the rematch.

Coach Hughes now looks to the remainder of the schedule which puts them at home for four of their next five meets.

They meet UC Davis at Davis Friday and return home Saturday night against Centenary.

"The team is confident right now and we are looking to improve our individual and team scores in the upcoming meets," said Hughes.

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The events for Global Healing are scheduled in the first and third floors of the University Union, except as noted. All events are free and open to the public.

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23

- Opening Ceremony  
Library Quad, 10:00 am - 10:45 pm
- Mark Berman  
Board Chambers, 11:00 am - 12:45 pm
- Poetry  
California Suite, 1:00 - 2:15 pm
- Storm Drain Policies Panel  
Board Chambers, 2:30 - 4:30 pm
- Jack Gladstone  
Redwood Room, 4:30 - 7:30 pm

**Also Note: February 28, Dr. Wes Jackson,  
Delta Suite 8:55 - 10:10 am**

The Global healing office will be located in the Miwok Room.

**There will be Electric Vehicles in the Library Quad as well as information tables from the following organizations:**

- Green Corps • Save the American River • Earth Island Institute • California League of Conservation Voters • Americorps • Sacramento Valley Toxics Campaign • Peace Action • Zero Population Growth • Sacramento Local Conservation Corps • California Communities Against Toxic Waste • Rainforest Action Network • Sacramento Municipal Utilities District • and many student organizations.



### STATS-N-A BOX

#### Baseball

##### Friday's results

###### SACRAMENTO ST. 9, WASHINGTON STATE 8

Washington State (2-4) 131 003 000 - 8 11 1

Sacramento St. (4-6) 112 031 01x - 9 13 1

Kawabata, Poffenroth (6) and Hamik; Rivera, Nave (6), Garcia (6), Frank (9) and Kirtlan. Top hitters: CSUS—Carpenter 2x4, 2 HR, 3 RBI; Brown HR; King 2x3, 3B; Elorduy 2x3; Balderram 2x4; Wash. St.—Kaleikilo 2x4, HR; Cameron 2x4, 2 RBI; Cody 2x4; Wetmore 3B, 2 RBI; Kincaid 2B.

##### Saturday's results

###### SACRAMENTO ST. 6, WASHINGTON STATE 0

Washington State (2-6) 000 000 000 - 0 3 1

Sacramento St. (5-6) 200 112 00x - 6 10 1

Estes, Marquart (6) and Hamik, Horner (8); Eby and Kirtlan. Top hitters: CSUS—Balderam 2x4, 2B; King 2x3; Kirtlan 2B, 2 RBI; Elorduy 2B; White 3B; Vetter 2B. Wash. St.—Ryan 2x4; Naumu 2B.

#### Softball

##### Sunday's results

###### SACRAMENTO ST. 2, PACIFIC 1

Pacific (3-4) 000 001 0 1 4 4

Sacramento St. (2-0) 100 000 1 2 7 3

Marsh and Wilson; Bugliarello and Schultz.

Top hitters: UOP-Phillips 2B. CSUS-Montes 3x4; Schultz 2x3; Blunt 2x3.

###### SACRAMENTO ST. 7, PACIFIC 1

Pacific (3-5) 000 000 1 1 4 5

Sacramento St. (3-0) 410 200 0 7 6 2

Rodgers and Wilson, Bishop (5); Blunt and Schultz, Haas (6).

Top hitters: UOP-none. CSUS-Blunt 1-1, 2 runs, RBI.

#### Gymnastics

##### Friday's results

###### FULLERTON 188.2, SACRAMENTO ST. 184.375, SAN JOSE ST. 183.975.

Vault—Fritzsche, Full., 9.775; Seebert, Sac, 9.600; Schindler, Sac, 9.550. Bars-Lott, Full., 9.750; Fritzsche, Full., 9.650; Bories, Full., 9.550; Beam-Law, SJS, 9.600; Clifford, Full., 9.500; Lott, Full., 9.475; Floor—Lutz, Full., 9.600; Shoults, Sac., 9.525; Law, SJS, 9.500; All-Around—Law, SJS, 38.100; Lott, Full., 37.750; Schindler, Sac, 37.575.

##### SACRAMENTO ST. 75, CAL POLY, SLO 57

Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo (6-15, 3-2)

Rodness 6-19 1-2-14, Carrillo 5-10 1-11, Girard 5-8 0-10, Hoffman 2-6 0-6, Lee 2-4 1-1 5, Carey 2-6 0-4, Bevien 1-9 1-2 3, Volk 1-6 0-0 2. Totals 24-69 4-6 57

Sacramento St. (5-20, 2-3)

Stapp 5-13 8-8 20, Boudreux 7-15 4-6 18, Karley 2-4 5-6, Anderson 4-10 0-2 8, Keulper 2-5 2-2 6, White 3-4 0-1 6, Townsend 1-3 2-2 4, Enders 1-4 1-2 3, Schott 0-3 1-1 1. Totals 25-62 23-30 75.

Halftime—Sacramento St. 34-27, 3-point goals—Cal Poly 5-21 (Carrillo 2-6, Hoffman 2-2, Rodness 1-10, Gannon 0-1, Volk 0-2); Sacramento St. 2-10 (Stapp 2-4, Anderson 0-2, Enders 0-2, Karley 0-1, Townsend 0-1). Rebounds—Cal Poly 46 (Carey 12); Sacramento St. 41 (Boudreux 10). Assists—Cal Poly 12 (Hoffman, Rodness 3); Sacramento St. 14 (Karley, Stapp 4).

#### Men's Tennis

##### Friday's results

###### SANTA CLARA 5, SACRAMENTO ST. 2

Santa Clara first: Singles—Gagnon def. Castro 6-4, 6-3; Olin def. by Filep 6-2, 7-5; Pfeiffer def. Coupe 6-3, 6-2; Pang def. Silverman 6-4, 6-4; Fox def. Lee 6-4, 6-2; Freeland def. Valegro 6-2, 6-1. Doubles—Gagnon-Olin def. by Filep-Coupe 9-7; Pang-Pfeiffer def. Silverman-Lee 8-0; Freeland-Fox def. by Castro-Petrescu 8-5.

#### CSUS Student

### ATHLETE of the WEEK

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#### Shelia Townsend

Basketball

Shelia, a sophomore guard for the women's basketball team, scored seven points and added two rebounds and two steals in a loss to Southern Utah. Townsend, one of several standout guards for the Hornet women's team during a tough 1994-95 season, has averaged just under 3.5 points this year. Townsend has posted a 3.2 grade point average in Health and Physical Education at CSUS.

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### Global Healing Speakers

**MARK BERMAN** is an associate of the International Marine Mammals Project of Earth Island Institute. Mr. Berman has been recognized as a leader in anti-captivity issues and was the inspiration behind South Carolina becoming the first captivity-free state in the United States. This is the second year that Mark will be speaking at Global Healing. He will be discussing animal rights and marine mammal issues.

**BARBARA ROSE JOHNSTON, Ph. D.**, a former CSUS Environmental Studies Professor, will be discussing points from a book that she recently edited called *The Sociocultural Context of the Environmental Crisis*. She is an Associate of the Center for Political Ecology in Santa Cruz, California. She will be discussing issues from the book which concerns the effects of environmental degradation on cultural evolution.

**WES JACKSON, Ph. D.**, from the Land Institute is one of the most important figures in the movement for alternative and sustainable agriculture. He was the recipient of the McAuthor Foundation's five year "genius award" and was the founder of the CSUS Environmental Studies Program. Dr. Jackson's presentation is titled "Natural Systems Agriculture: The Integration of Ecological/Evolutionary Principles into Agriculture".

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# FEATURES

## Gays strive for acceptance through fraternity and club

By KATIE MCKINLEY  
HORNET STAFF WRITER

For gay, lesbian and bisexual students, there are two organizations on campus: the gay fraternity Delta Lambda Phi and the Bisexual, Gay and Lesbian Alliance at Sacramento State. Members of these organizations are faced with the challenges of being gay: stereotypes about gay people and myths that these groups are sex clubs.

Members of both say these groups are alternatives to the gay bar scene and provide social and support outlets for gay students who want to meet other students with the same sexual orientation.

"There are not many places to meet (gay) people. For me, bars are not the place to find your future partner...and I wasn't born with a 'gaydar,'" said BGLAS member Michael, a graduating senior majoring in journalism. Michael asked that his last name not be used.

Delta Lambda Phi is the alternative for gay or bisexual men who would otherwise have to miss out on the Greek experience.

"We are either left out or pretend to be heterosexual, according to the fraternity's Vice President Jim Wobig, a senior majoring in MIS and who came out of the closet five years ago.

"In another fraternity, we wouldn't be able to voice that we're gay," Wobig said.

Wobig said they do all the things that regular fraternities do: participate in rush, have pledges, hold events, do community work. Men of all sexual orientations are welcomed.

One of their main projects is helping organize the Sacramento Gay and Lesbian Film Festival.

The CSUS chapter of the national Delta Lambda Phi fraternity was founded in 1989 and currently has 12 members. The fraternity was first orga-

nized in 1986 on the East Coast by a small group of elderly men who wanted to create a fraternity that would not discriminate against gay men. Now there are 20 chapters and 800 members nationwide.

Although neither the CSUS Interfraternity Council nor the National Interfraternity Council recognizes it as an official fraternity, Delta Lambda Phi strives for acceptance. Official recognition will be the subject of the fraternity's national convention at San Jose State this summer.

Sacramento State Student Activities Director Lou Camera, who works with the Delta Lambda fraternity nationally, said controversy over the organization of gay and lesbian groups comes from "people perceiving that gays and lesbians are looking for special rights...when what they asking for is the opportunity to have the same rights and privileges as everyone else."

Wobig said he feels that the NIC is close to accepting Delta Lambda Phi and his fraternity is increasing its efforts to recruit new members to get more support. This is the reason the group built a booth this semester instead of just a table for Greek Rush.

"There is a big push this year because we are close to getting recognized by the National Interfraternity Council... We want to be recognized as a fraternity. That's what we are," Wobig said.

Four people approached the table during Rush Week and two or three actually attended the fraternity's rush events. The fraternity posts flyers at Sacramento City College in an effort to recruit new members that may eventually transfer to CSUS.

"It's so hard to get people. There are a lot of (gay) people who are scared...There's a difference between being out (revealing your sexuality) with your friends and standing out in a

(Rush) booth," Wobig said.

Although students at CSUS have not been lining up to join the fraternity, Wobig said students have not been too adverse to it either. He said during Rush Week, the members staffing the booth got some glares from other students, but no one said anything negative to them.

The other outlet for gay students, BGLAS, was established more than 14 years ago by psychology professor Dr. Martin Rogers. The name has changed over the years to include more sexual preferences: from the Gay People's Union in the early '80s to the Lesbians and Gay People's Union, which was changed last semester to the present name Bisexual Gay and Lesbian Alliance at Sacramento State.

BGLAS serves as a weekly social, support and discussion group for students, alumni and members of the community. Approximately 20 people belong now.

At the start of the semester, the group's vice president, Melissa, laid out the group ethics rules. She made it clear that this group was "not a pick-up place" because she wanted everyone to feel comfortable. This is where members can find out the latest news about gay rights, like the legal status of same sex marriages. Gays, lesbians and bisexuals share their coming out stories in a safe, nonjudgmental environment.

"It's a group where you feel supported, and you can talk about things that are important to you and get feedback," group member Michael said. "It's scary being gay...you're scared of being beaten up. Sometimes you could lose your job," Michael said.

His request to remain unidentified explains the need for organizations like BGLAS and the gay fraternity, places that are safe and supportive.

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Justine Belson/State Hornet

The Lambda Community Center is the local meeting place for many events for the gay community.

## 'Global Healing' searches for a remedy

Students, faculty and staff to put on second annual environmental conference

By KATHY HEROLD  
HORNET STAFF WRITER

When some people hear the words environmental protection, they picture a group of left-wing extremists chaining themselves to trees and chanting, "Earth First!"

This is not the case with the CSUS Global Healing Program, which was designed to combine environmental protection with environmental justice. Noreen Humes, program founder and Vice President of ASI, created the program because she says environmental justice is something many environmental programs have neglected. This concept involves the idea that environmental practices do not protect all races equally, but place more emphasis on keeping white America clean.

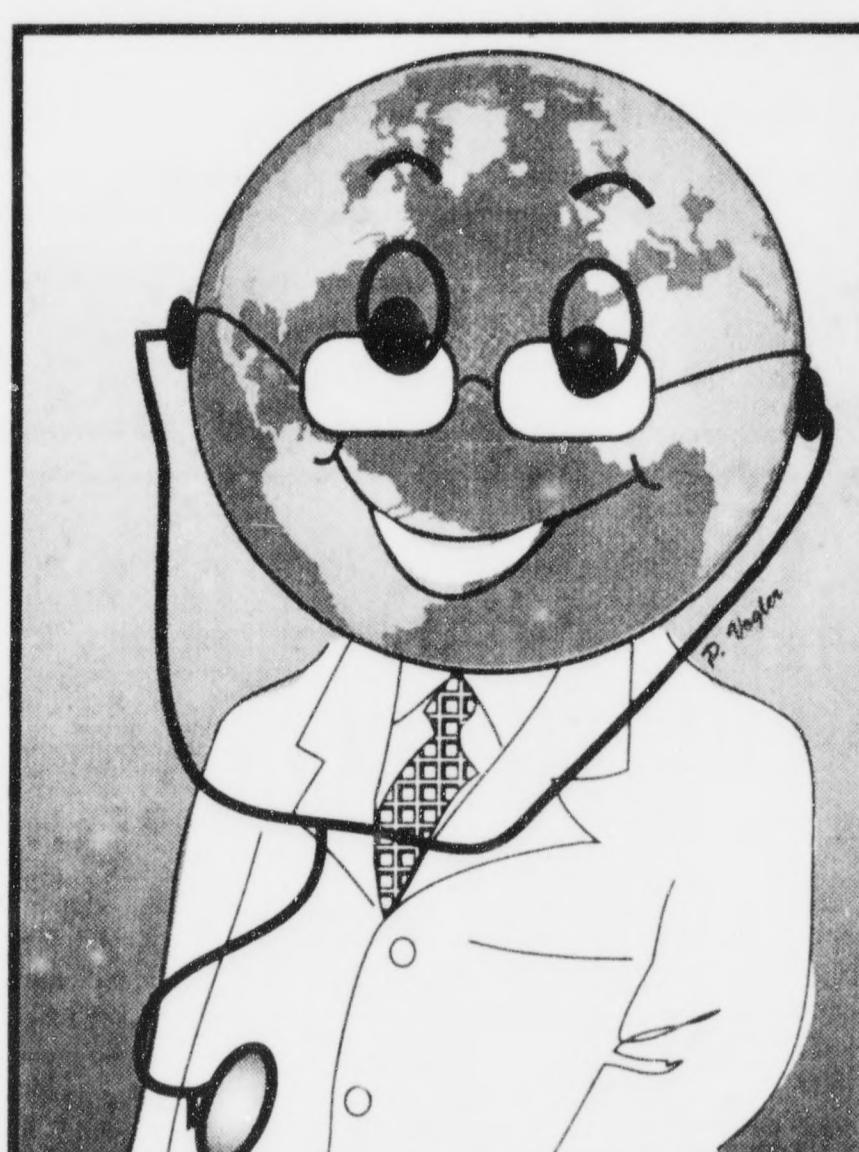
Humes' determination to bring attention to this overlooked issue earned her an award in May 1994 from the environmental studies department for helping to "bridge the gap between the environmental studies and ethnic studies departments."

"It is important for people of different races to come together on environmental issues," Humes said.

On February 23 and 24 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., people of different ethnicities, ages, sexes and lifestyles will get a chance to do just that at the second annual CSUS Global Healing Conference.

This two-day environmental, social and cultural event will provide, free of charge, a great deal of information about the state of the earth and what can be done to protect it.

"The program allows students, faculty and staff to work together to learn about these issues," said David Shorey, co-chair of Global Healing.



Graphics by Paulette Vogler also enhances leadership skills for those involved.

"I hope this individual leadership gained through participation in an educational program will influence the campus as a whole, making it a leader in environmental protection," Humes said.

With the help of donations, including a personal one from President Gerth, this hope might just become reality. Money raised for Global Healing has come primarily from such donations as well as fund-raisers, allowing the events to remain free to the public.

Although the program is the largest student organization event on campus, Shorey said it is continuing to develop, becoming bigger and better.

"It's something we're proud of," he said. "We're winding down now, but we're looking for a Global Healing 3."

## 'S/BAD' celebrates classic dance with an ethnic flavor

By BARTRAND HUBBARD  
HORNET STAFF WRITER

The Sacramento Black Art of Dance company celebrated Valentine's Day with their second annual performance at CSUS.

S/BAD is a performance company based at CSUS that performs both ethnic and classical dance styles.

"We're here to dispel the myth that people of color only perform ethnic dances. We want to show that we are as diverse as any other group and that we dance ballet, modern, jazz and tap, not just salsa or hip-hop," says Dr. Linda Goodrich, Artistic Director for S/BAD and professor at CSUS. "S/BAD is committed to preserving the tradition of Black concert dance in American culture in honor of people like Katherine Dunham, the late Dr. Pearl Primus, and Alvin Ailey" she continued.

The performance was called "Love Songs: for couples only" and each of the separate acts held to that theme.

"This is a special performance because the performers choreographed their own dances," said Dr. Goodrich.

In prologue Andrea Wagner, senior, Theater Arts, sang the Black National Anthem and Dr. Goodrich came on stage to introduce the first act "The Orisha Love: Oshun."

The dance pertained to a fable told by a Nigerian graduate student about a Nigerian queen who could not have a child and was given one by the river goddess (Orisha), Oshun.

Beatrice Godinez danced to an instrumental by Ebo Okonan, a Cuban drummer.

ming and dance ensemble, and vocal by Dr. Goodrich, her son Achebe and two students.

Andrea Wagner sang a solo vocal to music before Dante Giray danced to "Always on my Mind" by Brandy.

Andrea "Ya Ya" Porras danced to a Spanish vocal called "No Si Tu" by Luis Miguel.

Dancer "Rommel" demonstrated ballet ability before bursting into a hip-hop routine to a song by "Blackstreet".

Local art organization Celebra-

"We're here to dispel the myth that people of color only perform ethnic dances"

—Dr. Linda Goodrich

tion Arts was represented by James Wheatley and Miyo Uchida in the only two person dance performance of the evening.

Andrea Wagner sang "I'm Still Looking for You" while Valerie Gnassounou, a graduate student in Business Administration, danced to her vocal.

Melissa Esta, a former S/BAD member and current Hornet cheerleader, displayed ability in jazz dance to a song by "Prince".

The last number, "Surprise Love", was performed by Bernard "Bo" Horn of the Nu Style Fitness and Dance Studio and choreographer for the Flystyle Dance Company.

"S/BAD will perform again March 16, 17 and 18 in the annual Concert 1 for Dance Productions with the University Dance Company, "Jazzee" at 8:00 in Solano Hall 1010," said Dr. Goodrich.

## Features

# 'Nevá' kicks its way into Sac State

Russian dance ensemble to perform in University Theatre

By KRISTI PEDE  
HORNET FEATURES EDITOR

Nevá will leap, twirl and spin on stage in its Saturday night performance in the University Theatre.



It's more than the famous Ukrainian squat and wild punctuated shouts that make this Russian dance troupe's performance unique.

They bring to life historical character/folk dances of Romania, Moldavia, Ukraine and North Russia through the use of humor intricate footwork, and colorful costumes.

The company is known for its use of "character dance tech-

nique" – a unique blend of ballet and folk dancing based on characters and their storylines.

Audiences will enjoy the stories of courtship, flirtatious lovers, and romance gone awry.

Founded in 1982 by a small group of dancers, Nevá began to tour both the U.S. and abroad, fulfilling their mission of preserving and presenting their unique art form.

In 1985 they became the resident dance company of the Russian Center of San Francisco, an organization which represents the Bay Area's large Russian-American community.

Nevá is led by famed artistic director, choreographer and composer Vladimir Riazantsev, who was a member of the Moiseyev Dance Company for over twenty years before immigrating to the U.S. in 1991.

He has entertained audiences on nearly every continent and brings with him many years of



Courtesy Photo

Attired in intricate costumes, members of the Nevá dance ensemble perform for international audiences.

dedication and training.

Riazantsev said that he is endeavoring to create original and unique choreography.

"I intend for the dances to be

transformed through soulful expression and animated by humor," he said.

These "ambassadors of Russian dance and culture" will be at per-

forming at CSUS on Saturday, Feb. 25 at 8:00 p.m.

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Nevá is a presentation of UNIQUE Programs of the University Union.

## Acceptance: Gay students worry about credibility and image in community

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Melissa said, "Our purpose is to provide that safe environment. We want to bring people together... (some) gay, lesbian and bisexual people have no idea where to find people like themselves."

Melissa, a junior English major, did not want to reveal her last name either, because she feels her future as a teacher could be jeopardized. She transferred to CSUS after being asked to leave a private college in the Midwest after she revealed that she was a lesbian.

"Once you reveal you're gay, your credibility is gone," Melissa said.

This idea of credibility being lost once a person has revealed their sexuality weighs heavily on many gays and lesbians. Especially since they say they don't consider their sexuality to be their most important defining charac-

teristic.

"It's who I am but not the only thing. I'm also a dancer, an actor, and a journalist," Michael said.

"I go fishing. I work on my car. It (the fact that I'm gay) shouldn't matter if you like me as a person," Wobig said.

Bisexuals were included in the name of the club to support this group as well as gays and lesbians.

"When you're bisexual, you have to come out twice. Both the gay and straight community don't accept you," Melissa said.

Like Delta Lambda Phi, BGLAS is working on better organizing the club to attract more members in order to provide more support for gay and lesbian students on campus.

Wobig said, "There is a vast majority of us out there that won't admit their sexuality. We all had to go through that struggle."

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# OPINION



## A Snowball in Hell

Nora Lynn

### Facing fear on top of the world

The flight getting there had been challenge enough. Air travel in the '90s is not for the faint of heart, and between screaming children and drugged cats dry-heaving into their owners' laps, I was ready to get out to the Great Outdoors by the time we landed in Salt Lake City.

I'd never actually hiked before. My friend, Scott, part Cub Scout leader and part engineer, had arranged the trip. A day-long rental car ride took us south through the state, past Park City's skiers and shopping to Four Corners. Scott was experienced, had hiked the areas previously and was full of wisdom and experi-

I refused to permit myself to worry about this. I didn't even tell Scott. The last year of my life had been full of challenges, and I was tired of being in over my head or failing. Plus, I needed to get outside myself, to be a little afraid of something real rather than just the unknown. The timing was right for some basic barrier testing.

The first day held lots of lessons. I began to call some parts of the hike "up-up," meaning that they were steep. I found also that I was more fond of "down" than I was of "up." "Up" made my lungs burn. "Up" made my butt muscles hurt and my legs drag. "Up" made

long underwear. I could feel the pendulous weight of my backpack, my socks bunched up in the toes of my boots. I was as stone cold from fear as I was the weather.

But there was no other way across. The option of looking like a weenie and not continuing faded as a young couple took their toddler across the rib ahead of us. Scott, in the lead, strode confidently off, unaware that his charge was pretty near peeing herself. Damn. I told him to at least take the lens cap off his camera to take a picture of the pretty splatter I would make on the side of the hill as I fell.

But for the first time in my life, when confronted with height there was no voice of fear. No grim reminders of gravity and fate. There was just calm, a little trepidation and a big expanse of rock to cross. My feet began to move of their own accord, slowly, deliberately across the red, uneven rock. All I could hear was my own breathing, ragged from adrenaline, and the blood rushing in my ears.

When I looked out, though, the whole world was there. The views were panoramic, breathtaking, from horizon to horizon. I stood in awe of a perfect world, a view from the top I would never have had without the risk and the fear. It was beautiful, perfect. One step at a time, slowly, steadily, and suddenly, I was across. Done. There.

I cannot tell you what those particular arches looked like. I have no memory of the return hike, the second pass over the ribs or the ride back to the hotel. But my step never felt more sure, my sense of balance more tuned, my body more mine, than in that moment on top of the world, with a clear view of natural spectacle and myself.

I was back on my own feet, at last.

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ence. It never occurred to me that my fear of heights might be a problem.

It had been my companion for most of my sentient life, a small yet powerful voice reminding me of exactly how far it was to the ground, exactly how badly I would injure myself in a fall and telling me that no climb was worth the risk. This voice had paralyzed me in a four-month trip I made to Alaska, where I watched my friends scale natural wonders I had to balefully regard through binoculars. Even in elementary school, one year I failed the President's Physical Fitness tests because I could not bring myself to climb to the top of a ladder, turn around at the top and climb back down.

me pant. Scott the Reasonable reminded me that there is no "down" without "up," but "up-up" made me cranky enough not to care. My fear of heights was never a factor.

But the second day was a completely different story. We drove north to Arches National Monument for the second stage of our ground assault. No "up-up," Scott assured me. But what he didn't say was that these trails took us over two ribs to get to the desired arch viewpoint, layers of rock thrust sharply out of the earth. It was across these ledges that we had to pass to get to the trails' end.

The first glimpse of the expanse we had to perch ourselves on took my breath away. The cold January air was incredibly cold, piercing through three shirts and

I was back on my own feet, at last.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Brooks received pay raise after requesting medical leave

Editor:

"Is it true that Suzanne Brooks, while out on medical leave, got a raise?"

**Received via Ombudsman phone line**

**Editor's Note:** It is true. According to Dean of Faculty and Staff Affairs David Wagner, Brooks — who has been on leave from her position as director of the Multi-Cultural Center since an investigation into possible suspending was ordered by the university almost a year ago — received a four percent pay raise April 1. Her previous salary was \$61,488 per year, and the adjusted salary is \$63,948 per year.

the program seem to think that this was a unilateral presidential action.

However, it was the faculty and the Academic Senate which demanded that university President Donald Gerth phase out ROTC.

Although the decision is ultimately that of the president's, it should be remembered that he in fact showed some resistance to faculty pressure on this issue, and that he agonized over his decision to end the program is presidential in name only, while in reality it is a collective action which was supported by a near-unanimity of at least those who spoke out and voted on the issue in the Academic Senate.

**Tom Kando**  
Sociology

**Reports on Brooks' employment status are unfair, biased**

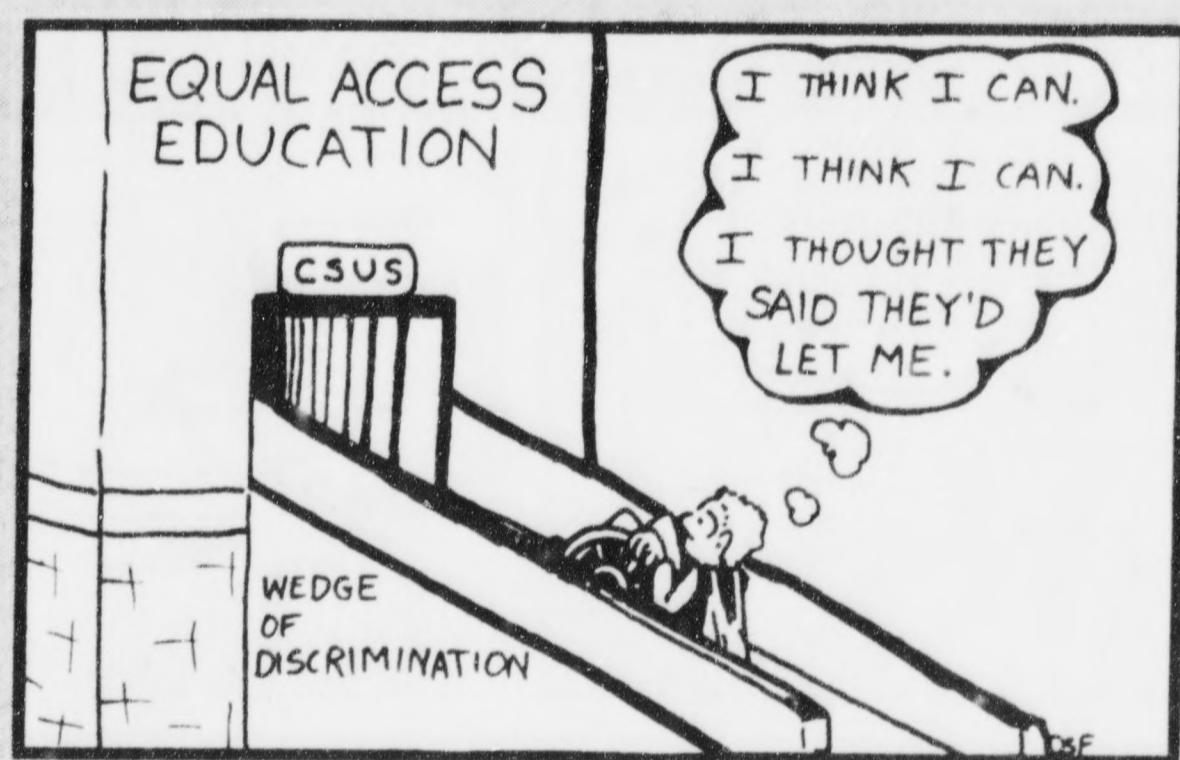
Editor:

Without passing judgment on the wisdom of keeping or phasing out ROTC, the interest of accuracy requires the following clarification:

Both the public and the legislators who are attempting to reverse the decision to terminate

"This is regarding 'Brooks' absence affects students" in the Feb. 10 issue. I think it's a bunch of crap in terms of you all continuously blaming Suzanne Brooks for anything and everything that goes wrong on levels of diversity. It is not her fault nor is it her problem that the Student

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## Discrimination by any other name...

More than five years ago, when the federal Americans with Disabilities Act passed, disabled people everywhere found victory in the realization that they would soon have equal access to public buildings. At last, they would be able to go into any library, public restroom, park or office.

Students at Sacramento State are still waiting.

In the past year, projects that would bring the university into compliance with the ADA have been pushed to the backburner for a variety of complicated reasons, but the end result is simple — students with disabilities do not have equal access to campus facilities.

The clearest example of the priority the university places on disabled access is the ramp to the library. The three main ramps that lead to the library and the reserve book room are long and steep — so much so that many students in wheelchairs are unable to access the building. When the CSU Chancellor's office allocated \$280,000 to bring CSUS buildings into ADA compliance, disabled students again thought they would finally have equal access to the library.

Yet they are still waiting.

Plans to build an elevator into the library were too expensive, and the money was instead spent on a chemistry lab. Now disabled students are told there may not be another ADA allocation for two years.

In the meantime, there are other areas on campus that are not easily accessible to Sacramento's 753 disabled students.

The ramp into the University Union is

difficult for students in wheelchairs to maneuver. The temporary buildings — which for weeks had no ramps at all — now have wooden ramps too narrow for wheelchairs. Some doors in the temporary buildings have no ramps, making it impossible for students in wheelchairs to access them. Steep walkways and doors with no ramps are also difficult for disabled students using crutches, canes or prostheses to use.

In the residence halls, there are no elevators or ramps. Students with physical disabilities have no choice but to live on the first floor, and they are unable to visit friends' rooms upstairs.

Adding insult to injury, CSUS President Donald Gerth has ignored requests by the Disabled Student Union to meet and discuss access issues on campus. The 753 disabled students at Sacramento State pay their fees, buy their books and pay Gerth's salary just like every other student. Gerth — who has spent countless hours plotting the phase out of ROTC programs because he believes the military discriminates based on sexual orientation — needs to realize the severity of the disabled students' concerns and address them directly.

There is no clearer form of discrimination than denying access to specific group of students, which is exactly what is happening at CSUS. The campus *has* made improvements over the past several years, but as long as some areas on campus are not accessible to *all* students, it will not be enough.

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## Sports

### Softball: Blunt shines on mound and plate



Janette Bowker / State Hornet  
Tami Blunt pitched a four-hitter and scored two runs in the second game.

### Women: Team wins one for the seniors

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averaging 4.8 rebounds per game going into Friday's contest.

Anderson received a standing ovation when she was replaced by guard Shelia Townsend with only one minute remaining.

She finished the game with eight points, eight rebounds, and a game-high four steals.

"It was sad to see all those

people cheering when I walked off the court," Anderson said.

Schott also received an ovation from the crowd at Hornet Gym after being replaced seconds later.

"I was about to cry," said Schott after scoring one point in sixteen minutes of play.

"I wanted to take them out before the game was over so they could get the recognition they

deserve for all their hard work," head coach Sue Huffman said. This was a great way to end the home season."

The Hornets will finish the regular season Saturday night at Cal State Northridge. CSUS won the first meeting this season 70-55 at Hornet Gym. A win Saturday could mean a possible second place finish for the Hornets in the American West Conference.

pick up her first victory of the year. Blunt scattered four hits while striking out seven. Montes momentarily saved the shutout in the fourth with a sliding catch of a fly ball down the left-field line, before the Tigers pushed an unearned run across in the seventh.

Blunt, still recovering from a shoulder injury, was satisfied with the complete game effort.

"Today was a good test for me," Blunt said.

Blunt also starred at the plate where she went 3 for 4 on the day to raise her season batting average to .500. Other Hornets stars included Montes, 4 for 8, and Schultz 3 for 7. Gina Givogri and Blunt each scored twice for the Hornets.

Coach Strahan was pleasantly surprised with the offensive effort, noting that the hitting is ahead of where she expected.

"We've tried some different things as far as hitting goes," Strahan said. "I think it's paying off."

The Hornets overcame five errors which allowed both Tiger runs to score unearned during the two games.

The team now hits the road, traveling to play doubleheaders at Santa Clara, St. Mary's, and Pacific.

The team returns to Shea Stadium Saturday March 4 against St. Mary's and Sunday March 5 against San Jose State. First pitch is scheduled for 1 p.m. for both dates. Students get in free with a current student body card.

### Men's tennis loses to Santa Clara

By LEO OLSON  
HORNET STAFF WRITER

After losing to San Jose State last Tuesday and lowering their record to 1-1, Sacramento State's men's tennis team had a chance to get back on track Friday at Santa Clara.

The Hornets had beaten the Broncos the last three times they met, but this year, the Broncos are a vastly improved team.

Sacramento State got off to a great start at Santa Clara winning two of three doubles matches, but then they fell apart and were nearly swept by the Broncos in singles play.

Sacramento State eventually lost five of six matches, making the final score Santa Clara 5, Sacramento State 2.

Alexander Filep and Damon Coupe played well together in doubles play as they won a tight match 9-7. Also winning in doubles play was the team of Nate Castro and Rob Petrescu.

Petrescu, playing in his first league match this year, helped partner Castro to an 8-5 win.

After his debut in doubles, Petrescu is awaiting his chance to play singles after coming off an elbow injury from last year.

"I definitely think I will be playing singles sometime this season. The soreness in my elbow is gone and I feel really good about my game right now," Petrescu said.

said.

The lone winner in singles play for the Hornets was Alexander Filep, who is 3-0 in singles play after three matches this year.

Head coach Chris Evers held a team meeting after their second consecutive loss to try to regroup the team and prepare them for Thursday's match.

The Hornets travel to Saint Mary's on Thursday and then face the University of Pacific Saturday at the Rio Del Oro Racquet Club in Sacramento.

"These two matches are a really tough part of our schedule; these are two of the top teams in our region," Evers said.

### Baseball: Hornets back on winning track

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weary and our bats just seemed to be a little heavier."

Highlighting the weekend series for the Hornets were Carpenter, Brown and right fielder Brian King.

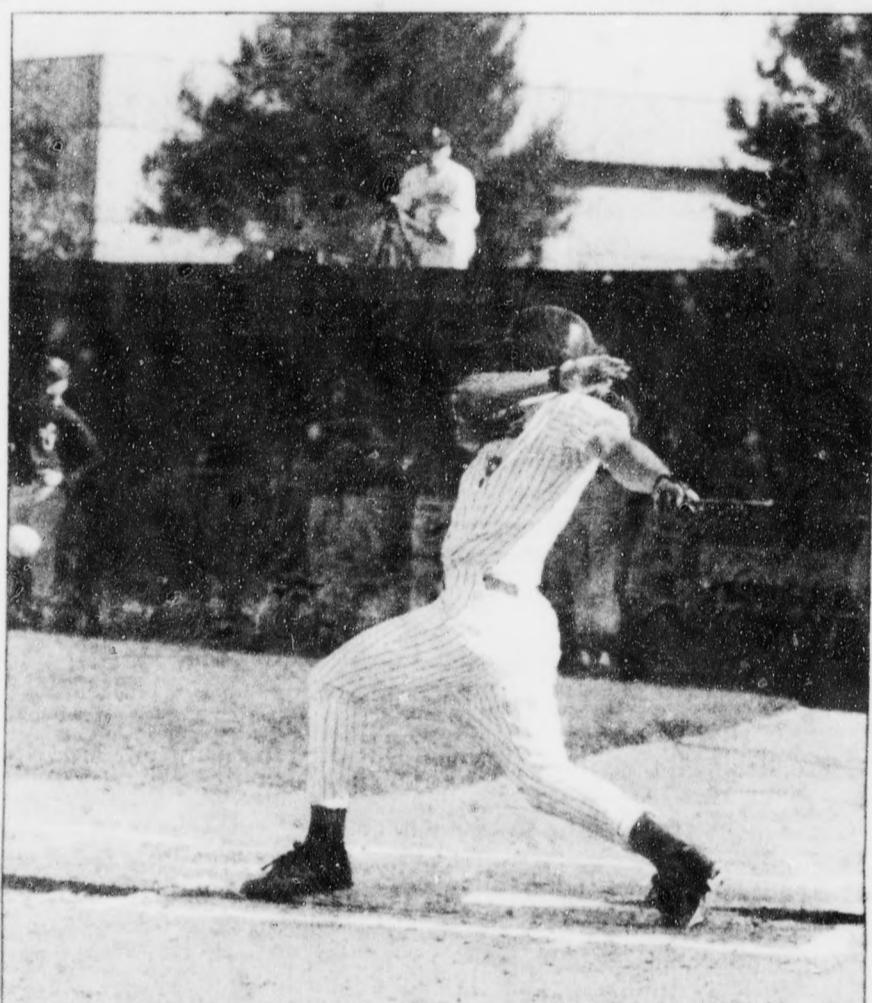
On Friday, Carpenter went 2 for 4, hitting two home runs and three RBIs, and Brown went 2 for 3 with a home run and two runs scored.

On Saturday, King extended his hitting streak to nine games, and has hit safely in 10 out of the Hornets' 11 games.

"Right before this series, we were able to put together two of the best practices I've had in the past ten years," Smith said. "It's only a matter of time until we're able to play like this day in and day out."

The Hornets will be trying to extend their winning streak to three games tomorrow when they take on No. 23 University of Nevada, Reno Wolfpack at 2 p.m. at Hornet Field.

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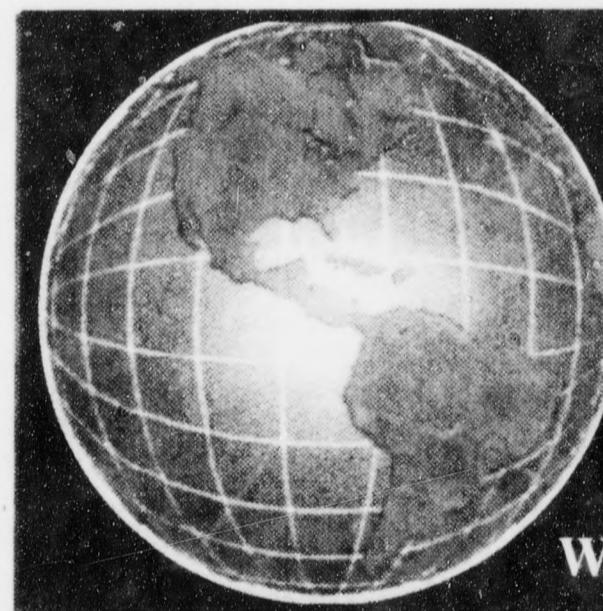
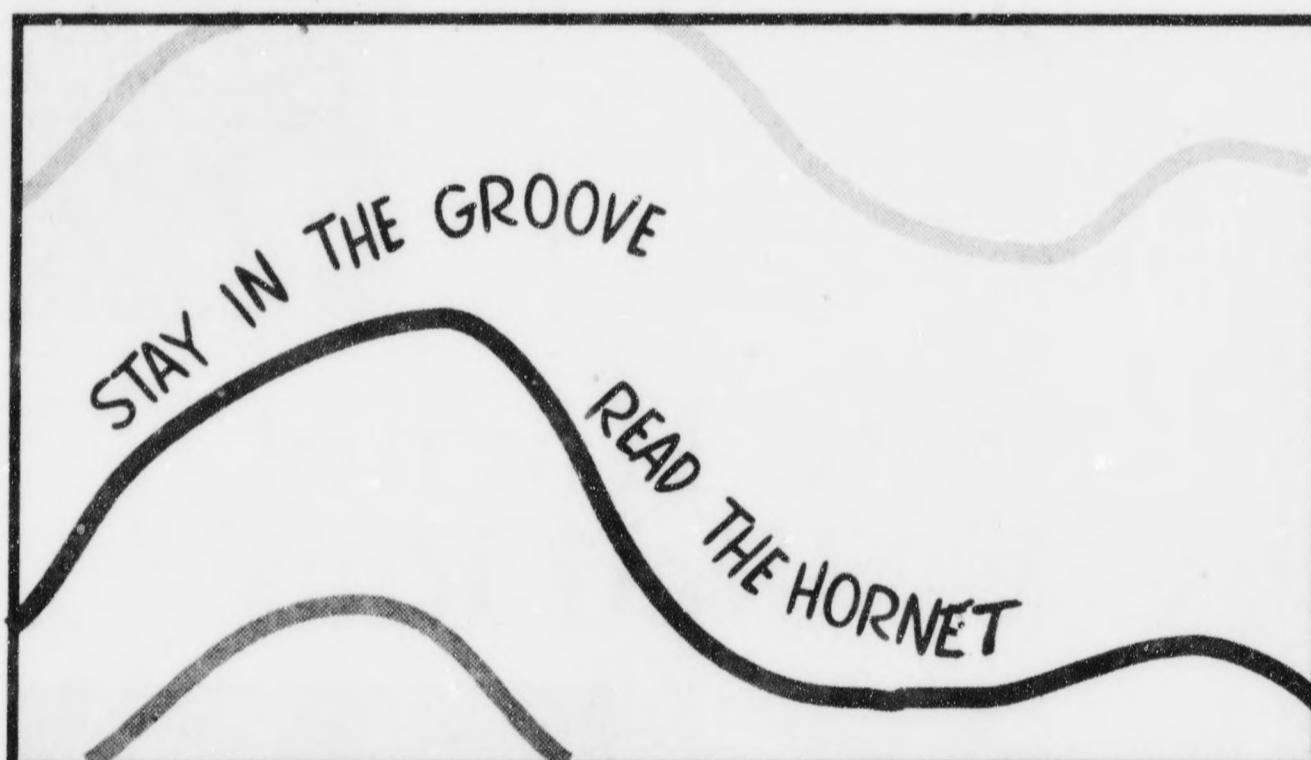


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Dan Elorduy connects with the ball in Saturday's win against Washington St.

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